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CONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d)

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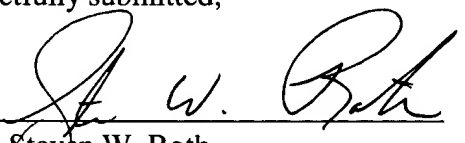
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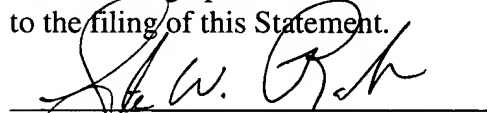
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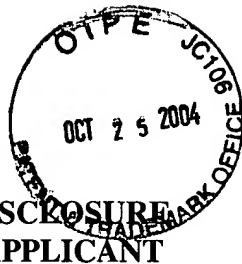
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